

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA
AIKEN DIVISION**

Jimmy L. Rouse,)	Civil Action No.: 1:17-cv-1059-JMC
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Plaintiff,)	
)	
v.)	
)	ORDER
Savannah River Remediation, LLC,)	
)	
Defendant.)	
_____)	

This matter is before the court upon review of the Magistrate Judge’s Report and Recommendation (“Report”) (ECF No. 18), filed on August 1, 2017, recommending that the court dismiss Plaintiff’s Complaint with prejudice for failure to prosecute, pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(b).

The Magistrate Judge’s Report is made in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(A) and Local Civil Rule 73.02(B)(2)(e) for the District of South Carolina. The Magistrate Judge makes only a recommendation to this court, which has no presumptive weight. The responsibility to make a final determination remains with this court. *See Mathews v. Weber*, 423 U.S. 261, 270-71 (1976). The court is charged with making a *de novo* determination of those portions of the Report to which specific objections are made. Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b)(2)-(3).

The parties were advised of their right to file objections to the Report. (ECF No. 18 at 3.) However, neither party filed any objections to the Report.

In the absence of objections to the Magistrate Judge’s Report, this court is not required to provide an explanation for adopting the recommendation. *See Camby v. Davis*, 718 F.2d 198, 199 (4th Cir. 1983). Rather, “in the absence of a timely filed objection, a district court need not conduct a *de novo* review, but instead must ‘only satisfy itself that there is no clear error on the face of the

record in order to accept the recommendation.”” *Diamond v. Colonial Life & Acc. Ins. Co.*, 416 F.3d 310, 315 (4th Cir. 2005) (*quoting* Fed. R. Civ. P. 72 advisory committee’s note). Furthermore, failure to file specific written objections to the Report results in a party’s waiver of the right to appeal from the judgment of the District Court based upon such recommendation. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); *see Wells v. Shriners Hosp.*, 109 F.3d 198, 200 (4th Cir. 1997) (“[t]he Supreme Court has authorized the waiver rule that we enforce. . . . ‘[A] court of appeals may adopt a rule conditioning appeal, when taken from a district court judgment that adopts a magistrate’s recommendation, upon the filing of objections with the district court identifying those issues on which further review is desired.’”) (citing *Thomas v. Arn*, 474 U.S. 140, 155 (1985)).

After a thorough review of the Report and the record in this case, the court finds the Report provides an accurate summary of the facts and law. Plaintiff did not file a response to the court’s July 14, 2017 Order (ECF No. 16) directing Plaintiff to advise the court whether he wished to continue with the case and to respond to Defendant’s Motion to Dismiss. The court observes that Plaintiff’s failure to respond to the court’s Order signifies that he does not oppose Defendant’s Motion and wishes to abandon this action. Therefore, the court **ACCEPTS** the Magistrate Judge’s Report and Recommendation (ECF No. 18) dismissing Plaintiff’s Complaint with prejudice for failure to prosecute pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(b). Because the court dismisses Plaintiff’s Complaint on other grounds, Defendant’s Motion to Dismiss (ECF No. 11) is **MOOT**.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "J. Michelle Childs". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

United States District Judge

November 27, 2017
Columbia, South Carolina